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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed April 8, 2008, Applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks, along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

It is not believed that extension for time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a), and any fees required therefore, including fees for net addition of claims, are hereby authorized to be charged to **Deposit Account No. 22-0185**, under **Order No. 22409-00247-US**, from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

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